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PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION OF)
THOMAS SCHOLL ET AL (DECEASED)) GROUP NO.: 1711
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/980,615) EXAMINER: N. NUTTER
FILED: NOVEMBER 2, 2001)
TITLE: HYDROXYL-GROUP)
CONTAINING DIENE RUBBER)

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 07, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 07, 2003. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 8, 9 and 11-21 is courteously requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification: None.

Amendment to the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Appendix: None.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on 8/5/03

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August 5, 2003

Date